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# Montana Department of Environmental Quality - Remediation Division Invitation to Bid DEQ Contract No. 415018

CFR Reach A, Phase 2 Remedial Action Project Warm Springs, Anaconda-Deer Lodge County, Montana

# **RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS**

## PRE - BID WALK THROUGH QUESTIONS:

1. Are there flaggers at Warm Springs Road?

No. Please refer to Bid Item 4b, Flagging. The locations shown on the Drawings are minimum requirements. Contractor shall comply with MUTCD and BNSF requirements. Indicate all locations requiring flaggers in the Transportation Plan. Please refer to the Drawings, Sheet No. C31, Traffic Control Plan.

2. Does the compost need to be mixed with the fill material at the borrow source?

Yes. Please refer to Bid Item 24, Excavate, Haul and Place Beck Vegetative Backfill. Contractor shall incorporate compost (provided to the Beck Borrow Area and Lampert Borrow Area by Owner) into Vegetative Backfill at the borrow area.

3. Where is the location of the borrow source?

There are four borrow sources that are identified in the Drawings, Sheet No. C1, General Site Plan and Sheet No. C24, Beck Borrow Area Development and Reclamation Plan for the vegetative backfill borrow source locations. The Drawings Sheet No. C1, General Site Plan also identifies the Alluvium Borrow Area and the Logan and Lampert Borrow Areas.

4. Will compost be taken to the borrow source?

Yes. The compost for this Project will be provided to the Beck Borrow Area and Lampert Borrow Area as described in the Special Provisions, Bid Item 24.

5. Do we need a permit for the water source for the project?

Please see Bid Item 11, Provide Water for Dust Control and the Drawings, Sheet No. C37 for a description of the on-site water source available for this Project. The use of any other water source may be approved by Engineer, provided Contractor supplies all information required by Bid Item 11 and Submittal No. 13 - Provide Permits for Construction Water.

### **WRITTEN CONTRACTOR QUESTIONS:**

1. I understand that 50% of the Mobilization item will be paid at the beginning of the project, will the remaining 50% be paid as the percentage of work is completed?

See Payment (Bid Item 1). Payment for Mobilization, Bonds and Insurance will be based on the lump sum price bid as shown on the Bid Form of the Contract Documents. Fifty percent (50%) payment will be made once Contractor submits Bonds and Insurance Certificates, fully mobilizes to the Site and receives Engineer approval on all submittals required before the start of construction. Full payment for this Bid Item will be paid once Contractor completes the Work, final site cleanup work and fully demobilizes equipment and materials from the Site. THE LUMP SUM BID PRICE FOR THIS BID ITEM MUST NOT EXCEED TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE TOTAL BID PRICE.

2. Are there any known permits or testing that the contractor will be responsible for in order to use the water from the Alluvium Dewatering operation as dust control on the haul roads at the project site?

"No permit is necessary to use construction dewatering water from the Alluvium Borrow source for dust control on Project haul roads. The water provided shall be reasonably clean and free from acid, oil, alkali, metal contaminants or organic matter and not brackish or salty. Contractor shall obtain Engineer approval of this water source prior to its use for dust control."

3. I understand that the removal/excavation of the stumps, roots, and buried logs is to be measured and paid in Bid item 2-Floodplain Clearing & Grubbing, however, is the hauling and placing of the contaminated vegetative materials measured and paid in Bid Item 19?

See Bid Item 2, Floodplain Clearing and Grubbing, Bid Item 3, Debris Disposal and Bid Item 19, Excavate, Haul and Place Tailings/Impacted Soils. Contractor shall consider all below-ground vegetative material to be contaminated debris (Bid Item 2). All below-ground contaminated vegetative debris (root balls and other objectionable materials) will be disposed of as tailings / impacted soils material under Bid Item 19. Woody debris

that is deposited at the WMA shall be separated and temporarily stockpiled at the toe of the laydown boundary. After tailings / impacted soils material haul is completed, Contractor shall excavate and bury woody debris within the laydown area at least one foot below the surface in accordance with Bid Item 19.

# 4. Are Side-by-Side UTV's authorized to be used on the project?

The use of side-by-side UTVs will be allowed on site as long as Contractor's approved Health and Safety Plan (HASP) addresses safe use of the vehicles. Side-by-site UTVs are NOT ALLOWED on AR's (Atlantic Richfield's) property (i.e., the B2-12 Cell at Opportunity Ponds).